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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the (X) utility, ( ) design, ( ) plant patent application of:

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For: APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING AND/OR MONITORING THE FILLING  
LEVEL OF A PRODUCT IN A CONTAINER

Enclosed are:

(X) 10 page(s) of specification      (X) 3 page(s) of claims

(X) 1 page(s) Abstract      (X) Unexecuted Declaration/Power of Attorney

(X) 3 sheet(s) of (X) formal ( ) informal drawings

( ) An assignment of the application to \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Preliminary Amendment      (X) Information Disclosure Statement

( ) Associate Power of Attorney      ( ) Verified Statement Under 37 CFR 1.9  
and 1.27

The filing fee is calculated as follows:


CLAIMS AS FILED					
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		AMOUNT
			LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY	
Basic Fee Utility	XXXXX	XXXXX	\$710.00	\$355.00	\$355.00
Design	XXXXX	XXXXX	\$310.00	\$155.00	
Plant	XXXXX	XXXXX	\$480.00	\$240.00	
Total Claims	20 - 20 =		x \$18.00	x \$9.00	
Independent Claims	3 - 3 =		x \$78.00	x \$39.00	
Multiple Dependency			\$260.00	\$130.00	
Late Fee Surcharge			\$130.00	\$65.00	
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- ( ) Please charge Dep. Account No.\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
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- ( ) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 10-1213. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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- ( ) The Issue Fee set in 37 CFR 1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311(b).
- (X) Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119 based on the following:
- | Serial No.          | Date Filed          | Country        |
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| <u>100 32 775,3</u> | <u>July 6, 2001</u> | <u>Germany</u> |
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- ( ) Certified copy (copies) enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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